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For : INTERMEDIATE FOR OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM AND METHOD
OF MANUFACTURING THE OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 8, 2007. Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period is originally set in the Office Action to expire on July 8, 2007, this response is filed timely and no extension of time is necessary. However, if for any reason an Extension of Time is deemed necessary, the same is hereby explicitly requested and authorization is expressly given to charge any required fee, including any extension of time fee, to ensure the pendency of the above-identified application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Formal Matters

Applicants note with appreciation that the Examiner took the documents submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement of March 18, 2005 under consideration by returning a copy of the signed and initialed Form PTO-1449.